ANDHRA PRADESH LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SESSION: 16

L.C.Q No.6159(Starred)

Notice given by: Sri Reddivari Reddappa Reddy, MI.C..

Will the Minster for Agriculture be pleased to state:

- a) whether there is any proposal to discourage the depending on Chemical fertilizers by farmers; and
- b) if so, the alternative plans being thought of?

ANSWER:

- a) Yes Sir.
- b) The following measures have been taken up to discourage dependence on Chemical fertilizers:

Tailor-made fertilizer recommendations based on soil testing.

Green Manure Seed supply: to distribute 1.00 lakh Qtl. Green Manure Seed on 50% subsidy , with a financial outlay of Rs. 21.00 crores.

- ✓ **Vermicompost Units:** Establishment of 19602 No. of units on 50% subsidy with a financial outlay oF Rs. 49.00 crores.
- ✓ **NADEP Pits:** Establishment of 19685 No. of pits on 50% subsidy with a financial outlay of Rs. 9.84 crores.
- ✓ **Vermi Hatcheries :** Establishment of 1913 No. of units on 75% Subsidy with a financial outlay of Rs.14.35. crores.
 - **Bio-fertilizers:** To supply 200 MT biofertilizers (Rhizobium, PSB, Azospirillum & Azobacter) on 50% subsidy to the farmers with a financial outlay of Rs. 0.40 crores.
- ✓ **Certification of Organic Farming:** To Extend Organic Certification to the Farmers Groups in 4000 Hectares with a financial outlay of Rs.2.00 crores.
- ✓ **Promotion of Organic Manures:** To establish 5950 No.compost pits with financial outlay of Rs.0.75 crores and small ring type units with an out lay of Rs. 0.575 crores under National Soil Health Management.
- ✓ **Demonstrations:** To educate farmers on Soil Test Based Fertilizer application 260 No. of Frontline Field Demonstrations and 104 No. of Field Demonstrations with a financial outlay of Rs. 0.624 crores.

(THE ABOVE ANSWER HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE HON' BLE MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE & TECHNOLOGY MISSION)

for Principal Secretary to Government

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